MR. T. T. KESAVAN SASTRY.: സർ, സർവ്വേ പരീക്ഷയ്ക്കു ചേരുന്നതിനുള്ള മിനിമം യോഗ്യത എന്തെല്ലാം?

MR. C. P. GOPALA PANICKER: സർവ്വേ രണ്ടുമാതിരിയുണ്ട്. ഫയർ സർവ്വേയും ചെയിൻസർവ്വേയും. ഇതിൽ അതാതിനു പ്രത്യേക യോഗ്യതകൾ നിശ്ചയിച്ചിട്ടുണ്ട്. അതനുസരിച്ചുള്ള യോഗ്യതയുള്ളവർക്ക്, ആ പരീക്ഷകൾക്കു ചേരാൻ അനുവാദമുണ്ട്. ഫയർസർവ്വേ ഡിപ്ലോമക്കാരിലുള്ളവരെ ഉദ്ദേശിച്ചുള്ളതാണ്:

Establishment of a Sub-Registrar's Office in Vadakkekara Pakuthi.

245. *MR. E. K. MADHAVAN (*Kunnatnad* cum *Parur*): Will the Government be pleased to state whether they have received petitions for the establishment of a Sub-Registrar's Office in Vadakkekara pakuthi in Parur taluk and if so what action they have taken in the matter?

MR. C. P. GOPALA PANICKER: No.

Medical aid to rural areas.

246. *MR. K. K. CHELLAPPAN PILLAI: Will the Government be pleased to state what comprehensive plan has been made by Government to give adequate medical aid to the large masses of the people in the rural areas?

DR. S. JOHN (*Surgeon-General*): There is a scheme whereby

1. Medical Practitioners who establish themselves in rural areas are given grants;
2. New dispensaries at the rate of two or three are to be opened every year in areas where there are none at present, and
3. Bi-weekly dispensaries are also opened where there are conveniences to do so.

MR. K. K. CHELLAPPAN PILLAI: In the answer it is stated that Medical Practitioners who establish themselves in rural areas are given grant. Has this fact been notified in papers and applications called for?

DR. S. JOHN: Certain grants have been given to Medical Practitioners who are established in rural areas like Kuruppampadi.

MR. K. K. CHELLAPPAN PILLAI: May I know how many people are given grants?

DR. S. JOHN: At present two doctors are given grants. Other people have not come forward.

MR. P. S. NATARAJA PILLAI: How many grants have been made this year?

DR. S. JOHN: Grants have not been given. Five bi-weekly dispensaries and two permanent dispensaries have been opened.

MR. P. O. THOMAS: May I know the average cost of opening a dispensary in a place?

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DR. S. JOHN: A permanent dispensary will cost about Rs. 25,000 exclusive of the supply of furniture etc. Maintenance, supply of medicines, Doctors, Midwives etc. will cost about Rs. 20,000.

MR. P. O. THOMAS: May I know what cost the Government have incurred in opening the dispensary at Moothakunnam?

DR. S. JOHN: Moothakunnam of Vadakkekara?

MR. P. O. THOMAS: Yes.

DR. S. JOHN: It will cost Rs. 12,000 because it is only six months since it started.

MR. T. K. NARAYANA PILLAI: In answer to Part (a) Question 255 it has been stated that five dispensaries have been opened during the year. May I know how is it reconcilable?

DR. S. JOHN: I do not understand the question.

MR. T. K. NARAYANA PILLAI: Answer to Part (a) of Question 255 is not in consonance with this answer.

DR. S. JOHN: I cannot understand the question.

MR. T. K. NARAYANA PILLAI: If the honourable member cannot understand the question I shall not question further.

MR. K. M. PAUL: It has been stated that two permanent dispensaries have been opened. May I know whether Government have contributed to the expenditure?

DR. S. JOHN: Government have supplied a certain amount in regard to the supply of medicines etc.

MR. K. A. MATHEW: May I know the entire cost contributed by the public?

DR. S. JOHN: It is the policy of Government that as far as possible if people wanted to establish dispensaries in a locality, they must put up buildings for housing these institutions. Medical Officers and medicines might be supplied by Government.

MR. K. A. MATHEW: May I know the number of dispensaries the Government intend to open in 1122?

DR. S. JOHN: The policy of the Government is only to open two or three dispensaries every year.

MR. CHAZHIKKATTU JOSEPH: സ്ഥലവും, സാമാനങ്ങളും കെട്ടിടവും കൊടുത്താലും ചില സ്ഥലങ്ങളിൽ ഡിസ്പെൻസറി അനുവദിക്കാതിരിക്കുന്നതായി അറിയാമോ?

DR. S. JOHN: അറിയാം. സ്ഥലവും സാമാനങ്ങളും എല്ലാം ഉണ്ടായിരുന്നാലും ഡാക്ടറന്മാരില്ലാതെ ഓരോ മുക്കിലും, മൂലയിലും കൊണ്ടുചെന്ന് ഓരോ ഡിസ്പെൻസറി ഓപ്പൺ ചെയ്യണമെന്നു പറഞ്ഞാൽ ഡാക്ടറന്മാർക്ക് ഞാൻ എവിടെ പോകും?

MR. CHAZHIKKATTU JOSEPH: മുക്കിലും മൂലയിലുമല്ല, ഗ്രാമങ്ങളിൽ തന്നെ ഓപ്പൺ ചെയ്യണമെന്നു പറഞ്ഞാൽ ചെയ്തുകൊടുക്കാമോ?

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MR. PULIYOOR T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI: May I know whether the policy of the Government is to give special consideration for applications where the public are prepared to make the required buildings for housing the institutions?

DR. S. JOHN: If the Department finds that medical aid is absolutely necessary in that particular place Government will extend the necessary facilities for starting a dispensary.

Medical aid in Tiruvalla Taluk.

247. ❋ MR. K. A. MATHEW: Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether they are aware that Niranam (Kadappara and Kizhakkubhagom pakuthies) in Tiruvalla taluk with a population of over 22,000 spread over 20 villages is without a hospital and therefore the people of the place are put to severe sufferings owing to lack of medical aid;

(*b*) whether they have received a memorial from the people of Niranam for a hospital to be opened there; and

(*c*) whether the people have offered the necessary site and building?

DR. S. JOHN: (*a*) Government are aware that there is no Government Hospital or dispensary at Niranam but a dispensary has been sanctioned at Mannar only 3 miles away.

(*b*) Yes.

(*c*) Yes.

MR. K. A. MATHEW: May I know whether applications have been received from Venmani?

DR. S. JOHN: Yes.

MR. K. A. MATHEW: May I know what has been done in regard to them?

DR. S. JOHN: Already there is a dispensary close at Mannar, that is about four or five miles away from the place.

The question of starting other dispensaries will be taken up only after the dispensaries already sanctioned by government are opened and fully furnished.

Medical aid to Sasthancotta.

248. ❋ MR. K. K. CHELLAPPAN PILLAI: Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether representations have been received from people of Sasthancotta and the adjoining pakuthies for the establishment of a dispensary at Sasthancotta; and

(*b*) if so, what steps Government have taken thereon?

DR. S. JOHN: (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) Government referred the matter to the Medical Advisory Committee who have recommended the proposal and it is under consideration.

MR. K. K. CHELLAPPAN PILLAI: With regard to the Dispensary at Sasthancotta, is the Government convinced that there is necessity for a Dispensary?

DR. S. JOHN: The Medical Advisory Committee recently inspected the place and I believe the honourable member was also there and a report has been sent to Government. Government will consider it in the course of the next year.

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